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Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by:
(PH)

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY PUBLIC HEALTH PREVENTION EFFORTS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) There is established a task force
2 to study public health prevention efforts. The task force shall examine
3 and make recommendations for improvements to (1) public school
4 curriculum that facilitates disease prevention, (2) insurance coverage
5 for prescribed preventive measures, including, but not limited to,
6 health assessments, treatments, health care services and any
7 equipment required to administer such preventive measures, and (3)
8 incentives for the implementation of proven environmental protection
9 systems.

10 (b) The task force shall consist of the following members:

11 (1) Two appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives,
12 one of whom has expertise in the public school curriculum;

13 (2) Two appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, one
14 of whom has expertise in disease prevention;

15 (3) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of
16 Representatives who has experience in insurance coverage for
17 preventive measures;

18 (4) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate who has
19 experience in environmental protection systems;

20 (5) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of
21 Representatives;

22 (6) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate;

23 (7) The Commissioner of Public Health, or the commissioner's
24 designee; and

25 (8) The Insurance Commissioner, or the commissioner's designee.

26 (c) Any member of the task force appointed under subdivision (1),
27 (2), (3), (4), (5) or (6) of subsection (b) of this section may be a member
28 of the General Assembly.

29 (d) All appointments to the task force shall be made not later than
30 thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy shall be
31 filled by the appointing authority.

32 (e) The speaker of the House of Representatives and the president
33 pro tempore of the Senate shall select the chairpersons of the task force
34 from among the members of the task force. Such chairpersons shall
35 schedule the first meeting of the task force, which shall be held not
36 later than sixty days after the effective date of this section.

37 (f) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the
38 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public
39 health shall serve as administrative staff of the task force.

40 (g) Not later than January 1, 2018, the task force shall submit a
41 report on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing
42 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters

43 relating to public health, in accordance with the provisions of section
44 11-4a of the general statutes. The task force shall terminate on the date
45 that it submits such report or January 1, 2018, whichever is later.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section
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Statement of Purpose:

To establish a task force to study public health prevention efforts.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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